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Dear Sir:

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Relevant art for the above-referenced Application is submitted on the enclosed PTO form 1449. Pursuant to the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R § 1.56 and in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R§ § 1.97 and 1.98.

Copies of the above-noted documents are enclosed as is a completed copy of the PTO 1449 Form. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the documents and to indicate such consideration by returning a signed and initialed copy of the PTO-1449 Form.

It is pointed out that while this filing is more than three (3) months from the application filing date, this IDS is being filed before preparation of an Office Action and no fee should be due.

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Should the Examiner have any matter unresolved by this response, he is invited to telephone the undersigned at the below listed telephone number in order to expedite prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,



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